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- 1. EMBASSY'S INVESTIGATION OF DISCREPANCIES SURROUNDING DEATH OF FRANK R. TERUGGI CONTINUES. ALTHOUGH MORGUE OFFICIALLY INDICATES CANNOT GIVE COPIES OF AUTOPSY, EMBASSY TRYING GET COPY OTHER SOURCES. CAUSE OF DEATH WILL BE SHOWN, APPARENTLY AS "BULLET WOUND" ON DEATH CERTIFICATE. CONSUL ACCOMPANYING AMCIT DAVID HATHAWAY, WHO WAS DETAINED SAME TIME AS TERUGGI, AND RELEASED LAST NIGHT, TO MORGUE, TO ATTEMPT CONFIRM IDENTIFICATION. ACCORDING TO HATHAWAY, THEY DETAINED 20 SEPT AND TAKEN TO NATIONAL STADIUM. ON 21 SEPT, TERUGGI WAS TAKEN AWAY, APPARENTLY FOR INTERROGATION. MILITARY AUTHORITIES AT NATIONAL STADIUM NOW SAY HE WAS RELEASED EVENING OF 21 SEPT. MORGUE REPORTS BODY BROUGHT THERE BY POLICE ON 22 SEPT.
- CHARLES EDMUND HORMAN STILL MISSING. AMCITS RELEASED 26 SEPT REPORT HE WAS PAGED REPEATEDLY FOR SEVERAL DAYS CONSECUTIVELY AT NATIONAL STADIUM. WIFE REPORTED TO CONSUL 27 SEPT THAT CHILEAN ARMY OFFICER HAD INFORMED HER HE ALIVE

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AND WELL AND HELD BY ARMED FORCES. WHEN EMBASSY CHECKED STORY WITH OFFICER IN QUESTION, HE SAID HE HAD NO INFO ON DETENTION. WAS ASKING MRS. HORMAN ON BEHALF OF HIS (OFFICER'S) BROTHER MARI LOCKERD

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IN NEW YORK, WHO KNEW HORMAN, AND SIMPLY ASSURED MRS. HORMAN THAT HE WAS SURE HUSBAND WAS ALLRIGHT AND PROBABLY DETAINED. EMBASSY CONTINUES TRY CHECK ALL POSSIBLE SOURCES.

- 3. CONSULATE IN PROCESS ARRANGING DEPARTURE OF EIGHT PERSONS RELEASED 26 SEPT (DOHERTY, FISK, FLYNN, HATHAWAY, NEZZO, NOLASCO, RITTER AND WELSH). THIS INVOLVES ISSUANCE OF NEW PASSPORTS TO THREE, GETTING TICKETS FROM US SOURCES, ARRANGING PRIORITY RESERVATIONS WITH BRANIFF, WHICH EXTREMELY HELPFUL, GETTING SAFE CONDUCTS, ACCOMPANYING TO AIRPORT, ETC. WILL ADVISE WHEN TRAVEL ARRANGED, WHICH WILL PROBABLY BE OVER PERIOD 28-30 SEPT.
- 4. CONSULATE ALSO ATTEMPTING CONTACT INVESTIGATIONS IN DISTANT PROVINCIAL CITY OF VALDIVIA (FYI LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICE STILL BELOW NORMAL STANDARD, WHIHCH WAS NOT RPT NOT AS IN US) TO ASK WHEN MARIA MANA RODRIGUEZ WILL BE ABLE TRAVEL TO SANTIAGO. IF NECESSARY, WILL SEND CONSULAR OFFICER ACCOMPANY HER.
- 5. I RAISED TERRUGI AND HORMAN CASES WITH FOREIGN MINISTER HUERTA YESTERDAY, URGING MAXIMUM GOC EFFORTS TO LOCATE HORMAN, POSITIVELY IDENTIFY TERUGGI AND ASCERTAIN FULL FACTS IF HE WAS IN FACT THE DECEASED REPORTED IN THE MORGUE. HE PROMISED TO DO SO. DAVIS

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